

D1 emitting layer, the film formation region of the light emitting layer covering the film formation region of the hole injection/transportation layer.

D2 9. (Three Times Amended) The organic EL device according to claim 1 wherein the wall of the bank has rounded corners and defines the film formation regions with rounded corners.

D3 10. (Amended) An organic EL device comprising:
a bank having an opening which defines a wall of the bank, the wall of the bank defining a first and a second film formation regions, the second film formation region covering the first film formation region;
a hole injection/transportation layer spread within the first film formation region; and
a light emitting layer spread within the second film formation region.

REMARKS

Claims 1-6, and 9-12 are pending. By this Supplemental Amendment, claims 1, 9 and 10 are amended. Reconsideration based on the following remarks is respectfully requested.

The attached Appendix includes marked-up copies of each rewritten claim (37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(1)(ii)).

Applicants thank Examiner Louie for the courtesies extended to Applicant's representative during the January 28 personal interview. The substance of the personal interview is incorporated into the remarks below.

I. THE CLAIMS DEFINE PATENTABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Office Action rejects claims 1 and 6-9 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over U.S. Patent No. 6,013,538 to Burrows et al. (hereinafter "Burrows"); and claim 9 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Burrows. These rejections are respectfully traversed.